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Applicant : Jody Shapiro
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Appln. Serial No. : 10/700,409
For : SYSTEM, METHOD, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM
PRODUCT FOR REMOTELY DETERMINING THE
CONFIGURATION OF A MULTI-MEDIA CONTENT USER

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The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee, Sony Corporation.

The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

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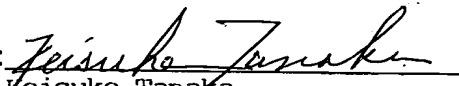
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Date: December 9, 2003

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WHEREAS, Jody Shapiro, made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) set forth in an Application for Letters Patent of the United States of America entitled: **SYSTEM, METHOD, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR REMOTELY DETERMINING THE CONFIGURATION OF A MULTI-MEDIA CONTENT USER**

_____ issued as U.S Patent No. _____
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WHEREAS, Sony Corporation, a corporation in the country of Japan, having an office at 6-7-35, Kitashinagawa, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, 141-0001 Japan, and who, together with its successors and assigns is hereinafter called "Assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest together with the benefits and privileges hereinafter recited;

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to me, receipt and sufficiency of which I hereby acknowledge, effective as of the date this document is executed, hereby, without reservation;

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF

Date 4/3, 2003



Jody Shapiro